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Applicant: Yoke Min Sin
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Examiner: Vanessa L. Ford
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AND USE THEREOF
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RESPONSE


In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 27, 2004, applicant hereby provisionally elects to continue prosecuting the claims of Group 1 (claims 1-22, 27-36 and 45-47), with traverse.

The Examiner is requested to reconsider the restriction requirement since both groups of claims are sufficiently related that an undue burden would not be placed upon the Examiner by maintaining both groups of claims in one application. (see, e.g., MPEP § 803).

Favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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